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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 2001

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

CONDEMNING THE DEPLORABLE TERRORIST ATTACKS ON THE UNITED STATES AND MOURNING THE TREMENDOUS LOSS OF LIFE RESULTING FROM THOSE ACTS; URGING PRESIDENT BUSH AND CONGRESS TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO FIGHT TERRORISTS; EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE WORKING ON RESCUE AND RECOVERY EFFORTS.

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1 Whereas, on September 11, 2001, terrorists executed an act of war on
2 American soil, commandeering four commercial airliners full of passengers and
3 steering two of the planes into both of the World Trade Center towers in New
4 York City and the third plane into the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. The
5 fourth plane crashed in Pennsylvania, due to the heroism of its passengers
6 who knew the plane was intended to hit yet another target, such as the White
7 House or the Capitol building in Washington, D.C. The crashes killed
8 everyone aboard the aircraft as well as untold thousands of others in the
9 targeted buildings, most of whom remain unaccounted for; and

10 Whereas, estimates of the number killed in the inexplicable events of
11 that Tuesday have exceeded six thousand individuals. This unbelievable loss
12 of life exceeds the death toll from any other attack on our nation since its
13 inception. The surreal images of the ruthless attacks shock and sadden all
14 citizens, and we are a nation in mourning. Yet for many people, their grief
15 goes deeper than can be imagined as they face the terrible reality of the
16 loss of innocent loved ones; and

17 Whereas, many of those missing and presumed killed are the
18 firefighters, police officers and emergency service workers who responded to
19 the attacks on the World Trade Center towers. They rushed to the towers to
20 assist others in evacuating the buildings, only to become trapped themselves
21 when the unthinkable happened and the 110-story buildings collapsed a short
22 time later. These individuals, who responded bravely and without thought of
23 their own personal safety, are true heroes who are owed an extraordinary debt
24 of gratitude for their tremendous service and ultimate sacrifice; and

25 Whereas, since the horrific events of that day, citizens of our nation
26 have come together to display great heroism and selflessness in countless
27 ways. Police, firefighters and emergency service workers, despite mourning
28 the great loss of their own, carry on the grim task of recovering victims of
29 the attacks. Rescue workers continue to work around the clock to remove
30 debris and rubble. Ordinary citizens around the country have donated time,
31 blood, money and other goods to help those in need. Americans have pulled
32 together, prayed together and turned to God for strength and guidance to face
33 this catastrophe in a way that is seldom seen in these times; and

34 Whereas, as our nation's authorities pursue those responsible for these
35 heinous acts, it becomes clear that the terrorists who planned and executed
36 this attack sought only to kill as many people as possible. These despicable
37 individuals care nothing about that for which America stands--freedom,
38 tolerance, diversity, pluralism--and their hateful actions must be stopped
39 before more innocent people perish. We encourage President George W. Bush
40 and the Members of Congress to use any reasonable means necessary to track
41 down those who assisted with or funded the attacks and to eliminate the reach
42 of terrorism around the world. Indeed, in this "war on terrorism" we urge
43 all citizens to prepare to willingly make the necessary sacrifices to see
44 this vital campaign through to its end. Americans have risen to meet and

1 overcome other crises throughout our nation's history and we can and will do
2 it again.

3 Therefore

4 Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona, the
5 Senate concurring:

6 1. That the Members of the Arizona Legislature, standing united with
7 the Governor of the State of Arizona, state their condemnation of the act of
8 war committed on September 11, 2001 and of those who carried out these
9 deplorable acts as well as those who harbored them.

10 2. That we join with the citizens of Arizona in mourning the tragic
11 loss of those murdered and offering our prayers and hopes for their families
12 and friends.

13 3. That we offer unconditional support and prayers to the friends and
14 families of those still missing, and ask God to offer strength and guidance
15 to those now waiting for word of the missing.

16 4. That we support and thank all those, particularly those from
17 Arizona, who are working in rescue and recovery efforts, including
18 firefighters, police officers, emergency service workers, medical personnel,
19 National Guard and reserve personnel, local, state and federal authorities
20 and citizens everywhere who have donated their time and money in working to
21 rebuild America.

22 5. That we declare our full support for President George W. Bush, the
23 Members of Congress and those who are executing the efforts to find the
24 terrorists and those who aided them, and support all reasonable
25 means--military, economic, diplomatic and otherwise--necessary to win the war
26 on terrorism.

27 6. That we stand united with and offer our prayers and gratitude to
28 our country's National Guard and the other men and women in uniform in our
29 country and elsewhere who are leading this righteous war on terrorism and ask
30 God to guide and protect them.

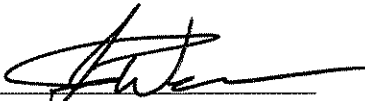
31 7. That we are determined that America's resolve will not weaken or
32 falter, but that our nation and people will be restored and our enemy
33 vanquished.


34 8. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit a copy
35 of this Resolution to the President of the United States, the President of
36 the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of
37 Representatives and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

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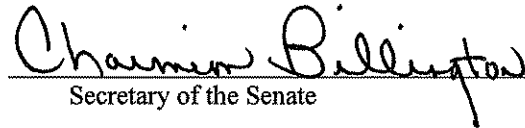

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President of the Senate


Secretary of the Senate

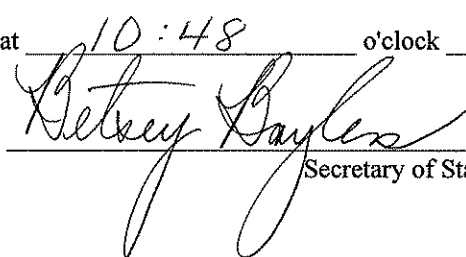
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Secretary of State